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MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS HONORED

Anyone who has attended a Montana Historical Society event, taken a student school tour, or spent some time behind the scenes in the building knows that Society volunteers are a big part of state history and heritage.

The Society honored its more than 130 volunteers Tuesday at a luncheon at the Montana Club for contributing more than 6,000 hours at a full-time equivalent value of about \$108,000 during the past year.

"The energy, enthusiasm and commitment that our volunteers bring to us and the people of Montana are a testament to how much Montanans value their history and heritage," Society Director Richard Sims said.

Those contributing the most hours to the Society were Doris Hitt, 500 hours, Amber Kremer and Lanie Grainger, both 300 hours, and Karen Borowiak, Teresa Hartzog, Judith Nott, Leoti Waite, Barbara Smith, and Vicki Smith, all contributing between 150 and 200 hours.

Also honored were Denise Pennington, for 30 years service, Leoti Waite, for 25 years, Mary Hunt, for 20 years, and Arlene Carpenter, Dorothy Carpenter, Dora Howard and Bob Morgan, all for 15 years of service to the Society.